

House Resolution No. 232

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, fifty years ago on January 31, 1958, Ezra Hughes, Jr., took the hand of his beautiful bride, Mildred Gramling, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony in Trenton, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Ezra and Mildred Hughes have had the pleasure of raising four daughters, Beverly Fields, Betty Ingle-Bessire, June Ann Branstetter, and Robin Smith, and the privilege of spoiling ten grandchildren, nineteen great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Ezra Hughes is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful thirty-year endeavor with T&R Soil Service, from which he is now retired; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Mildred Hughes offered her children boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways and enabled them to become responsible citizens with families of their own; and

Whereas, members of the Community Baptist Church of Utica, Ezra and Mildred Hughes have enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes over the years, a few of which include fishing, gardening, textile painting, serving as 4-H Leaders, and spending time with their loved ones; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, residents of Utica, will commemorate the glorious occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on January 26, 2008, at the Utica Fire Station:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Ezra and Mildred Hughes for their tremendous success in achieving a half century of wedded bliss and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Hughes, Jr.

Offered by _____
Representative John Quinn
District No. 7

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 232, adopted January 24, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker